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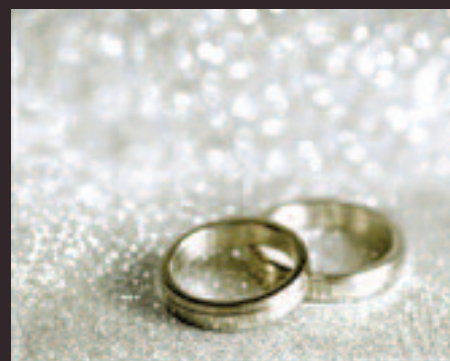
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Construction work continues Monday at a Gorky Gorod 540 hotel prior to the Sochi 2014 Winter Olympics. GETTY IMAGES



Drinking glasses show the yellow-colored water that poured from the bathroom faucets at a Sochi hotel.

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A two-toilet stall in the lobby of a media hotel REUTERS

‘DANGEROUS FACE WATER’

AND THAT'S ONLY ONE OF THE PERILS AT THE SOCHI WINTER OLYMPICS

By Stacy St. Clair | TRIBUNE OLYMPIC BUREAU

SOCHI, Russia The alarms sounded every 45 minutes, with a stern Russian woman advising that a fire had been reported and the hotel needed to be evacuated immediately.

I believed it the first time.

And the second.

I might have fallen for it a third time Tuesday morning, if I hadn't thrown caution to the bone-tired, jet-lagged wind and decided to stay in bed. Whatever would befall me, it had to be better than wandering along the western Caucasus Mountains in my pajamas.

It was already 5:50 a.m. and I couldn't fall back to sleep so I figured I would just begin my day. I turned on the water to brush my teeth, but nothing came out. Just the gagging, asthmatic sound of pipes wanting to produce water but couldn't.

I tried to flip on the shower. It wouldn't work. The toilets wouldn't flush either.

I called down to the front desk.

"It will be fixed in 40 minutes," the sympathetic man at the reception desk told me. "But when it comes back on, please do not use on your face because it contains something very dangerous."

Welcome to Sochi 2014, the dystopian-like Games where a simple shower poses a threat to your face, fire alarms ring constantly and several hotels remain unfinished. Russian President Vladimir Putin spent more than \$50 billion on these Games—the most expensive Olympics, winter or summer, ever—yet he seemingly forgot to pay the water bill.

No one likes to hear sportswriters complain about their hotels. I'm not a sportswriter, so believe me when I swear that I mock those whiners right along with you.

But this is different.

The Sochi Olympics aren't just a sporting event. They represent Putin's pride, his metaphoric muscle flexing in an effort to show the international community just how virile his country has become under his leadership. He dared the world to admire Russia's ability to produce these Games, so we must.

And, in some respects, the effort looks extraordinarily weak.

Only six of nine media hotels were finished

on time, leaving hundreds of reporters scrambling to find temporary lodging.

When the water eventually came back on at my hotel—my temporary housing for a night until my scheduled room could be finished—the water that poured through the faucet was dark yellow. It was the color of apple juice or a performance enhancing drug test specimen. The shower left what looked like fish food flakes coating the tub.

I took a picture of the water and tweeted it out.

"On the bright side," I wrote, "I now know what dangerous face water looks like."

My tweets about the water went viral—more than 1,500 people have retweeted it—not because I wrote something exceptionally clever, but because I pointed out the annoyances that many here have endured.

One of my colleagues, for example, went to his assigned hotel room only to find an AP photographer already sleeping there. Others have dealt with a lack of hot water, sheetless beds and baths without shower curtains.

"Congrats to @Dave_Schwartz only media personality who's arrived in Sochi with a hotel room that's ready, with doorknob that doesn't fall off," hockey writer Ryan Stanzel tweeted.

International Olympic Committee President Thomas Bach told reporters Monday that 97 percent of Sochi hotel rooms were delivered without a problem. Only 3 percent of the rooms—about 750 total—had some kind of a problem, he said.

"I have some travel experience and I know how embarrassing it is when you arrive after a long flight to a place and your room is not ready," he said.

I'm not sure why Bach thinks I should be embarrassed by the urine-colored water that spit from my hotel's bathroom faucet. First of all, I ended up washing my face with bottled Evian water, which made me feel like a Kardashian.

And, second, it's made me extremely popular among my fellow journalists here in southwestern Russia. I've received tweets in Russian, German, Danish and languages I have not yet determined.

On a bus down the mountainside Tuesday night a Swedish photographer came up and asked if I was the person who tweeted the hotel photo.

"You are the dangerous face water woman, right?" he asked.

I am now. Thanks a lot, Putin.

A life too short for so many highlights



Matt Pais

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Sometimes when an actor dies, it's easy to point to one particular performance and say, "She'll always be remembered best for her role as ____."

That won't happen with Philip Seymour Hoffman, who was found dead Sunday of an apparent drug overdose in his New York apartment. There are

simply too many highlights in the 46-year-old actor's career, and it would be wrong to elevate his Oscar-winning performance for "Capote" to the top. It's no secret that actors often don't win awards for their best work, and I prefer many of Hoffman's performances (several of which come from Paul Thomas Anderson films) to that one. Such as:

- His eerie, menacing religious leader in "The Master"
- One of the best-ever performances in an animated film, as a socially anxious lonely heart in "Mary and Max"
- His restless theater director in "Synecdoche, New York"
- His kind, determined nurse in "Magnolia"
- Perfecting both cool and uncool as real-life rock critic Lester Bangs in "Almost Famous"
- His delicious villain in "Mission: Impossible III"

Surely you have additions of your own; I could go on ("Happiness," "25th Hour," "The Big Lebowski" ...). So I will.

I'll never forget the first time I saw Hoffman on-screen, as an uneasy boom mic operator in "Boogie Nights"—I can still see Scotty (Hoffman) sitting in his car, telling himself, "I'm a [bleeping] idiot" after trying to kiss Dirk (Mark

Wahlberg). I still remember how perfectly he oozed suspicion in "The Talented Mr. Ripley" as Freddie, who knows Tom (Matt Damon) can't be trusted. This seems like an appropriate time to marvel again that when I interviewed Hoffman in 2010 about his directorial debut "Jack Goes Boating," he told me that there was no performance he felt fully happy with.

"Every film I would watch, it would be a roller-coaster ride of emotions," he said. "That was bad! Or 'That's pretty good.' Or 'I remember that being good; now I don't like it.'"

That self-criticism and humility—"I think talent, and I'm not just saying this, is about putting the work in," he said—isn't necessarily rare. Many people in Hollywood don't want to watch themselves and see only flaws when they do. But Hoffman, who made one interesting choice after another, was always so believable in a wide variety of roles and so easily respected as an actor who just seemed to get it that I wanted to reassure him he's the only one who sees the cracks. Not that he was too broken up about them.

I remember being pleasantly surprised that in the interview setting he wasn't as serious and closed-off as I thought he might be. "I think I ate about 10 billion hot dogs at a place [called] Portillo's," he said about the time he spent in Chicago while directing "The Long Red Road" at the Goodman Theatre. "Like, A LOT. I ate there way more than I think I should have, but I couldn't help it."

"I think I put ketchup on in hiding," he added. "Back in my room or something."

Hoffman had so many different ways to let movie fans understand—or make them wonder about—his characters' secrets. I'll miss the dependability and the mystery

MATT PAIS IS REDEYE'S MOVIE CRITIC.



Hump Day recap

Unplugged for the past week? Here are a few social media nuggets from our feeds, notes dropped on our Facebook page and other semi-useless-if-not-awesome things you should know. JESSICA GALLIART, REDEYE SOCIAL MEDIA LADY

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"So there's a chicken just casually walking down State street."

—@scottssandalow

Scott tweeted us this photo Tuesday from State and Randolph streets, amid many other Twitter reports of a guy with a chicken on the sidewalk. Heard about this last week, too—have you seen them lately?



SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

As of Tuesday afternoon, RedEye's Twitter account was dangerously close to reaching 100,000 followers. We have a special something planned for when this happens, to thank everyone for following all these years. Stay tuned, watch @redychicago and #redeye100K for details.

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"Red light means go?"

—@christopherswolff

Can't resist a good CTA photo. Nice shot, Christopher!

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CLARIFICATION

A headline for an article about the reality show "Hardcore Pawn: Chicago" was imprecise. The show, which revolves around brothers Randy and Wayne Cohen and their shop, will not return for a second season on Tru TV. However, their shop, Royal Pawn Shop in the Loop, is not closing.



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Richard Vanecko (right) leaves the Cook County Courthouse after pleading guilty to involuntary manslaughter Friday. **TERRENCE ANTONIO JAMES/TRIBUNE**

Report: Daley didn't meddle

Investigation faults police in handling case of former mayor's nephew

Chicago Tribune

Over the course of a 17-month investigation, after nearly 150 interviews and a review of more than 300,000 pages of records, special prosecutor Dan Webb found no evidence that former Mayor Richard M. Daley exerted political pressure to shield one of his relatives from criminal charges.

But Webb's exhaustive examination of the April 2004 death of David Koschman found that the involvement of Daley's nephew, Richard "R.J." Vanecko, colored both the initial investigation and a later probe by Chicago

police and Cook County prosecutors.

There was evidence of city officials closely monitoring the progress of the investigation even as Koschman lay comatose in a hospital and—seven years later—scrambling to exercise damage control when the Chicago Sun-Times started asking questions.

The lead detective initially assigned to the case candidly admitted later that he wrongly tried to push the responsibility for charging or not charging Vanecko onto others. And when the investigation was reopened in 2011, key files mysteriously went missing.

According to the report, Daley said in an interview with the special prosecutor's office last April that he made clear to his staffers in 2004 that he would in no way get involved in the investigation and that they

should not either.

"As a result of investigating this issue, the special prosecutor has concluded there was no evidence that former Mayor Daley, his family or others at their direction engaged in conduct to influence or attempted to influence the investigations," the report said.

However, Locke Bowman, an attorney for Koschman's mother, Nanci, said the evidence that clout had tainted the investigation was overwhelming.

"What's very clear as you read this report is that no phone call needed to be made," Bowman told reporters. "Very early on, the Chicago Police Department, whether by intuition or by experience of the realities of life in Cook County and the city of Chicago, got the message that this was no ordinary case."

Firefighters rescued in Little Village blaze

Three firefighters searching a burning basement for three trapped residents inside a Little Village home had to be rescued themselves when flames quickly moved around them, cutting off their exit, officials said Tuesday. The firefighters suffered non-life threatening burns and all three residents made it to safety.

Man charged with sex assault on CTA platform

A north suburban man has been charged with sexually assaulting a 19-year-old woman on the North/Clybourn CTA Red Line platform Sunday, police said.

Former CTA rail car goes to theme park

Jungle Jim's International Market, described as a "theme park of food" that has two locations in Ohio, says it purchased a 2200-series rail car in a December auction of CTA memorabilia.

Proposal: Ban stores' 'puppy mill' sales

Chicago would join a host of other U.S. cities in banning the retail sale of dogs raised by for-profit breeders whose operations are derided by critics as "puppy mills" under a plan being pushed by City Clerk Susana Mendoza.

27-year sentence for 'knockout game' killing

The second of three men charged in the "Pick 'Em Out and Knock 'Em Out" attack and slaying of a 62-year-old father of 12 pleaded guilty and was sentenced to 27 years in prison Tuesday, authorities said.

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Super Bowl prostitution bust leads to 16 rescued

NEW YORK Forty-five people were arrested and 16 juveniles rescued in a two-week crackdown on prostitution in the New York-New Jersey area leading up to Sunday's Super Bowl, Federal Bureau of Investigation officials said Tuesday.

The bureau said some of those arrested claimed they traveled to the site because of the high-profile football game, which drew an estimated 400,000 visitors to the region. The minors rescued ranged in age from 13 to 17 and included high school students and children reported missing by their families, the FBI said.

Arrests were made and victims recovered in New York, New Jersey and Connecticut, said FBI spokeswoman Barbara Woodruff.

The FBI, backed by state and local law en-

forcement agencies, had mounted a major crackdown on human trafficking and prostitution ahead of the Feb. 2 championship game, with some 3,000 law enforcement agents and civilians trained to help spot people who might be the victims of human trafficking.

Some trafficked women reported seeing up to 50 johns a day during Super Bowl, more than double the usual traffic, said Lori Cohen, director of Sanctuary for Families, which assists victims of human trafficking.

"Many of the men were setting up football parties where they are drinking, watching football and ordering in prostitutes," Cohen said, adding that one woman she spoke with told her "it was really dangerous. If she was ... at a party where the team was losing, the men would get really drunk and really violent."



A resident carries the belongings she salvaged from her shack in the Washington slum of Abidjan, Ivory Coast, during its demolition Tuesday. GETTYIMAGES

50 Americans have joined extremists: U.S.

At least 50 Americans have joined the mix of extremist groups that are fighting to overthrow Syrian President Bashar Assad, and some could try to mount terrorist attacks at home, U.S. intelligence officials said Tuesday.

Bill Gates steps down as Microsoft chair

Bill Gates is stepping down as Microsoft board chairman and will assume the role of technology adviser, the company announced Tuesday. Satya Nadella has been named the company's new chief operating officer.

New report projects Obamacare's reach

President Obama's health care law will reduce the ranks of the uninsured by roughly 13 million this year and 25 million once the law is fully phased in, the Congressional Budget Office said Tuesday.



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sports

Chicago's figure skating champ gazes into his crystal ball

By Chris Sosa

REDEYE

The Sochi Olympics will be a sad but exciting time for Evan Lysacek. Sad because if he had his way, he'd be defending the Olympic gold medal he won in Vancouver in 2010. Unfortunately, injuries knocked him out of commission late last year.

"I definitely feel some healing taking place, and now I just hope the results are good within the next couple of weeks and I could avoid having to have surgery again," the Naperville native told RedEye recently in an exclusive interview. "I'm getting back into some rehab and training and physical therapy. And from an emotional standpoint, I'm disappointed with the timeline of my injuries because they stopped me from being able to compete in Sochi."

On the bright side, the 28-year-old will be in Russia as part of the "Today" show team, as well as putting in work for his sponsors.

Will he compete in 2018? Well, he wouldn't say. For now, he's just pumped to see how the Americans fare, including in the team figure skating competition, making its debut in Sochi.

"We're kind of envious when we see swimmers and track and field athletes and gymnasts and how they have the opportunity to win three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, 10 medals in one Olympics, and we've always had only one shot," Lysacek said. "So it's nice to have at least two opportunities to win a medal. I think we have a really good chance to come away with a medal, the U.S."

The team event begins Thursday, one day before the Olympics' opening ceremonies.

Who has the best shot in the other figure skating events? Lysacek broke it down for RedEye.

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EVAN ALMIGHTY

MEN'S FAVES

Daisuke Takahashi Japan

He was third in Vancouver. He's got a lot of experience, he's been a world champion and many times a national champion of Japan. He's been very consistent over the last decade.

Patrick Chan Canada

He's won three world championships in a row since Vancouver, and he's very consistent. He's having a really good season. He's got a couple gold medals and I think a silver on the international circuit this year.



Jason Brown American hopeful

I'm from Chicago, so I'd love to see a Chicago guy be on that team. [Editor's note: Brown has since been named to the U.S. squad.] He's young, so whether or not he medals at this Olympics, I think either way it's going to be a great experience for him, and we'll be looking in 2018, for Jason to be a major contender. But who knows? I think if he does his best, he could have a really strong result.

LADIES FAVES

Yuna Kim South Korea

She won in Vancouver and she's been quite dominant in every event she's competed in since then.

Mao Asada Japan

Mao is almost undefeated this season. I think she had a rough performance at the Japanese nationals, but [Asada and Kim], just like in Vancouver, I think are gonna be neck and neck for the gold medal.

Polina Edmunds American hopeful

I think [she] was the surprise to everyone at the U.S. Championships, but not to me because I've been training with her and was able to see her progression over the past couple of years. She's a tough kid, man. She's only 15 years old, but she's wise beyond her years, and what she lacks in experience she makes up for in grit.

Gracie Gold American hopeful

I think everyone is hoping she'll be in the mix as well. She's recently relocated out here to Southern California to train with my coach, so I've been able to watch her train as well. She's definitely a contender.



Evan Lysacek
REUTERS



Meryl Davis
and Charlie
White
U.S.

Tessa Virtue
and Scott Moir Canada

The Canadians won the gold in Vancouver and the Americans won the silver and they've just been flip-flopping back and forth since then, so I think the gold medal will definitely come down to those two teams.



What makes a
good figure
skating outfit?
What about a
bad one?

I think it all depends on who you're talking to. To me what makes a good outfit is one that doesn't distract from the physicality of the sport, something that's athletic and clean. It depends on if you're trying to show your body off or hide your body.

What makes a bad one is anything that looks like a Halloween costume. So if you're skating to "Gladiator" and you dress up like a gladiator, that's bad to me. If you're skating to "Swan Lake" and you dress like a swan, that's bad. A lot of the literal interpretations of this music to me are strange. It is a sport, after all, so something that's athletic is what's most important to me and always has been.



Tatiana
Volosozhar
and Maksim
Trankov Russia

Aliona
Savchenko
and Robin Szolkowy Germany

The pairs, I think, will be between the Russians and the Germans and maybe the Chinese. The Russian team has been really dominant on the international circuit and have been world champions since Vancouver. The Germans are the most athletic for sure, but they've had some ups and downs over the last couple of seasons. Pairs has gotten so athletic now that it's just gonna come down to who delivers those insane tricks.

American hopefuls

[Lysacek declined to name any.] "I'd be surprised if we were in contention for a medal in pairs."

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That's what Tom Thibodeau would have to do to let Carlos Boozer play in the fourth quarter. Zing! Just kidding, Carlos.



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1	How can Carlos Boozer convince Tom Thibodeau to let him play late in games?	Change his name to Carlos Buzzer.	By leaping from the bench to the court before Thibs notices he's gone.	As Broncos fans watching the Super Bowl learned, more "Booze" can't overcome a strong defense.	Maybe put on a jersey that says "Cleveland" on the front?	Switch uniforms with Joakim Noah.
2	Why are the Olympics starting before the opening ceremonies?	They are not Russian to promote pomp and circumstance.	Because only capitalist pigs have opening ceremonies before games.	To quote Selina Kyle in "The Dark Knight Rises": "There's a storm coming, Mr. Wayne."	"Vladimir gets what Vladimir wants. No ask questions."	The sooner they start, the sooner my countrymen (and women) can dominate!
3	A furniture store losing \$7 million on the Super Bowl is like operating without a "safety" net.	... hilarious.	... like Soxman gaining 7 pounds watching the Super Bowl. Tragic! I eat my feelings.	... a better investment than whatever that Bob Dylan ad cost.	... not as bad as someone stuffing a pillow with your cousin. #birdhumor
4	What last-minute preparations are U.S. Olympians making for the Winter Games?	The Chicago ones are practicing their moves on snowy sidewalks. So-Chi.	Tightening gas masks, strapping on Geiger counters, boiling their water.	Avoiding the advice of the locals. Vodka is not the human antifreeze.	Hopefully learning the native phrase for "Which way out of this Russian hellhole?"	Learning to build and sleep in igloos, aka Canadian tents, if they're smart.
5	If you interrupted a Super Bowl press conference, what would you say?	"Tim Tebow for MVP! He had the best performance of the night!"	"#Esurance30."	"#WeWantPunk. Wrestlemania without CM Punk is like the Super Bowl without funny commercials. Boring!"	"Security here really sucks."	"Free John Tortorella!"




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Leonardo DiCaprio (left)
and Jonah Hill
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'Moneyball'

The Jonah Hill-Leonardo DiCaprio bromance will see another chapter, though this one hits a tragic note. According to **deadline.com**, Hill will play Richard Jewell, the man falsely accused of bombing the 1996 Olympics, in a biopic. DiCaprio is set to play a lawyer in the film.

THE MOUTHWATCH
“We knew what route concepts they liked on different downs, so we jumped all the routes. Then we figured out the hand signals for a few of the route audibles in the first half.”

—Seattle cornerback Richard Sherman, to The MMQB website, on how the Seahawks owned Peyton Manning in the Super Bowl

Joakim Noah
JOHN J. KIM/TRIBUNE FILE**THE DIGIT**
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That's how much a tirade aimed at referees—and featuring several F-bombs—has cost Joakim Noah. The Bulls center launched the outburst after being ejected from Monday's game at Sacramento; he has since apologized to the officials.

HOT DATE
SATURDAY

Jake “The Snake” Roberts will appear in a Chicago Style Wrestling event Saturday at Guerin College Preparatory High School in River Grove. Tickets are \$12-\$15 and are available at the event, which begins at 6 p.m.

THE FINISH LINE

» Wis. 75, Illinois 63 » Bulls at Phoenix, late » Wolves 4, Utica 2

eat & drink



See individual portraits of the contenders and vote for your favorite at redeyechicago.com/bartender.

By Kate Bernot
REDEYE

It's been a rough winter, Chicago. You know who was there for you? Your bartenders. They kept the cocktails flowing and listened while you whined about unshoveled sidewalks and Uber surge pricing. It's time to show them a little love in return. After sorting through more than 200 nominations, spending hours interviewing candidates and, yes, doing a little liquid research, we've narrowed the field to our Top 8 contenders for the title of RedEye's Best Bartender 2014. They represent the best in up-and-coming cocktail talent, and it's up to you to crown the winner. Read up on this diverse set of drink-slingers, visit their bars, sip their signature drinks and cast your vote for your favorite at redeyechicago.com/bartender by Feb. 10. The Top 4 vote-getters will throw down at a live mix-off at RedEye's 10th anniversary Best Bartender Bash on Feb. 26 (find ticket info on the voting site). Cheers!

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BRIAN STUR- GULEWSKI DRUMBAR

Twitter: @brian_sturges
Instagram: @sturges_brian

He's racked up a few cocktail competition wins and works at one of the top cocktail bars in the city, Drumbar in the Gold Coast, but Brian hasn't lost a sense of playfulness. Exhibit A: his Cinnamon Toast Crunch-infused rum, which Brian uses as the base of his Saturday Cartoons cocktail.

Catch him: Wednesdays through Saturdays at Drumbar, 201 E. Delaware Place

Signature drink: The Juvenile Delinquent (\$12) combines spices, fruit and herbs in a vodka-based creation that also includes green chartreuse, spiced pear liqueur, lime juice, rosemary and Creole bitters.

2

AMY PROBASCO GIRL & THE GOAT

Twitter and Instagram: @amesly_p

Thanks to her first bartending gig at The Cheesecake Factory, Amy can whip up some bad-ass girly drinks.

Of course, she's also capable of some serious whiskey-based creations at one of the West Loop's most popular restaurants, Girl & The Goat. In her free time, she teaches ballet to stay quick on her toes.

Catch her: Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at Girl & The Goat, 809 W. Randolph St.

Signature drink: Paying homage to her favorite Italian ballerina, Marie Taglioni, Amy's The Taglioni cocktail (\$13) reminds us of warmer weather with light rum, amaro, Aperol, almond syrup and lemon and lime juices.

3

LAURA SANDBORN JELLYFISH

Twitter: @puralaura
Instagram: @sandb1lc

Though she grew up in Grand Rapids, Mich., and lived for a few years in the Bahamas, Laura said she's completely fallen for Chicago in the 10 months she's lived here. At Gold Coast restaurant Jellyfish, she can indulge her passion for aesthetically beautiful cocktails made with Asian ingredients and spirits.

Catch her: Wednesdays during the day and Thursday through Saturday nights at Jellyfish, 1009 N. Rush St.

Signature drink: Laura puts an Asian spin on sangria with her Umami Punch (\$14), a blend of plum wine topped with honey-cardamom foam, almond cookie crumble and a hibiscus syrup drizzle.

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CARLOS MATIAS III PUNCH HOUSE/ DUSEK'S

Instagram: @mrvelvetj
(and yes, that's his butt as his avatar)

Though he began as a server at Acadia in the South Loop, Carlos had an undeniable itch to experiment behind the bar. Gradually transitioning to the cocktail side of the restaurant, he even won a girl over with one of his drinks. (Now that's smooth.) At 4-month-old Pilsen bar Punch House, he keeps the basement party rocking with a range of balanced punches and cocktails.

Catch him: Wednesdays and Saturdays at Dusek's, Thursdays and Fridays at Punch House, both at 1227 W. 18th St.

Signature drink: An homage to swing musician Louis Prima, the Prima's Signorina (\$8) is a spicy-sweet blend of Cajun-spiced rum, amaro, elderflower liqueur, lime juice and bitters.

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ANTAR JACKSON

FAIRWAYS

Instagram: @squair_blaq
After years as a touring musician with Chicago Afrobeat Project and as Squair Blaq, Antar settled into bartending as a way to, well, stay in one city for a while. Following gigs at The Radler, Crimson Lounge and The Owl, he now is behind the drinks at golf-themed Lincoln Park bar Fairways—but don't ask him to improve your putting game.

Catch him: Saturdays through Mondays at Fairways, 1141 W. Armitage Ave.

Signature drink: The Gopher Creek (\$13) is a refreshing spin on a winter bourbon cocktail made with smoked maple bourbon, amaro, lemon juice and rosemary simple syrup.

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HEATHER ZERR

MEAT

Twitter: @returnalegend
It's a blast being a female bartender in the "unique magical snow globe" that is Boystown, Heather said. She loves the party-all-night atmosphere of the neighborhood, but also takes her cocktails seriously at this newly opened bar and restaurant, where drinks have a molecular bent.

Catch her: Fridays through Tuesdays at Meat, 3339 N. Halsted St.
Signature drink: A molecular twist on a daiquiri, 86 & Sunny (\$14) begins with a base of 12-year aged rum, pineapple and coconut simple syrups, lime juice and a topping of rum-mint whip.

7

JACYARA DE OLIVEIRA

SPORTSMAN'S CLUB, NICO OSTERIA

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Her first bar job at The Drawing Room provided Jacyara great role models in the form of Charles Joly (now of The Aviary) and Cristiana DeLuca (now of Bangers & Lace). Since then, she has traveled to Tales of the Cocktail in New Orleans and Portland Cocktail Week for inspiration, which she puts to good use at recently opened Sportsman's Club in Humboldt Park and new Gold Coast stunner Nico Osteria.

Catch her: Mondays and Wednesdays at Sportsman's Club (948 N. Western Ave.), Thursdays and Fridays at Nico Osteria (1015 N. Rush St.)

Signature drink: The Silurian Smokehouse (\$10)—named for "Doctor Who" character Vastra—is a smoky, citrusy and bubbly combination of mezcal, tequila, amaro, chocolate bitters, lime juice and simple syrup, topped with sparkling wine.

8

SCOTT LOBIANCO

THE BERKSHIRE ROOM

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Scott first began tending bar at seafood hot spot GT Fish & Oyster, then left to help open River North cocktail bar The Berkshire Room inside the Acme Hotel. The bar's "dealer's choice" cocktails—guests choose a spirit, a flavor profile and a specific glass—keeps his job interesting, as do the diverse guests the bar draws.

Catch him: Friday through Monday at The Berkshire Room, 15 E. Ohio St.
Signature drink: Fear and Loathing (\$12) combines sweet and bitter flavors courtesy of reposado tequila, two types of amaro, sweet sherry, chocolate bitters and grapefruit oil.

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Logan Hardware opening barcade

By Kate Bernot | REDEYE

We're predicting a citywide quarter shortage with the announcement of yet another arcade bar, slated to open Feb. 14. Owner Jim Zespy of Logan Hardware record shop has announced plans for an arcade bar in the original Logan Hardware space at 2410 W. Fullerton Ave.

When his hybrid record store/arcade outgrew that space last year, he moved the operation to 2532 W. Fullerton Ave. That location will continue to house Logan Hardware Records, while the original storefront will welcome Logan Hardware Arcade bar.

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BY RYAN SMITH | FOR REDEYE



Hipster Smackdown



Hipster Smackdown

iPhone/iPad



Forget the hipsters: The only thing that deserves to be smacked is this one-note joke disguised as populist rage. "Hipster Smackdown" begins with a questionably bearded, artsy fella hitting on a girl with smug one-liners about vegan food or Instagram. It prompts so much annoyance that she kicks him in the nether regions of his tight pants and sends him flying across the urban landscape. The rest of the game consists of flapping the hipster's arms like wings to keep him in the air and navigating obstacles along the way to reach the end of the level. Like the culture it limply parodies, it's a game you'll be over, like, yesterday.



Tomb Raider: Definitive Edition

Xbox One, PlayStation 4



The ironic thing about last year's "Tomb Raider" reboot is that it featured very little raiding of tombs. Instead, shipwrecked star Lara Croft was forced to focus her incredible energies on escaping a deadly tropical island that harbored dark secrets. In other words, this prequel has more in common with "Lost" than it does with older "Tomb Raider" games. That's not a bad thing—guiding a younger, more vulnerable Lara (voiced by "Grey's Anatomy" star Camilla Luddington) through death-defying jumps over waterfalls or gunfights with deranged cultists turns out to be great fun. If you missed out the first time, this new "Definitive Edition" for next-generation systems is worth a look. Seasoned adventurers won't notice much difference except for slightly prettier graphics, unnecessary voice commands and the way Lara's ponytailed tresses flow realistically in the wind.



Don't Starve: Console Edition

PlayStation 4



One of the biggest trends in recent gaming involves forcing players to tough it out with limited lives and resources—something "Don't Starve" pushes to ridiculous extremes. Combining cutesy, cartoonish visuals and surreal horror in a way that screams Tim Burton, the game drops you onto an island dystopia and forces you to go all Robinson Crusoe. You must find raw materials, hunt and gather food and fend off giant spiders and pig men before you starve, die of injuries or go insane. Fail once and you'll start over from the very beginning. There's nothing wrong with a challenge, but "Don't Starve" feels needlessly masochistic.

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By Julia Borcherts | FOR REDEYE

For actress Melissa DuPrey, life is all about integrating opposites. This week, she steps onto two different stages in two very different roles: as a teenager attempting to navigate out of foster care in the Goodman's critically acclaimed world premiere of Rebecca Gilman's "Luna Gale," and as herself, attempting to navigate the worlds of dating, self-acceptance and cultural integration in "Sushi-Frito," a workshop production of her new comedic solo show produced by Mpaact at the Greenhouse Theater.

In "Sushi-Frito," the Humboldt Park native blends bits from her debut show, "Sexomedy," with storytelling-style stand-up comedy and new material to explore her experiences as a modern young woman with old-school traditions. On the docket: juggling cultural pressures with professional successes while enduring bad dates and terrible hook-ups in her search to find a real connection. We called her to find out more. **JULIA BORCHERTS IS A REDEYE SPECIAL CONTRIBUTOR.**

The origin of "Sushi-Frito," her show's title: In the Puerto Rican culture, if you ever go to our festivals, you'll see buffet lines of little fried finger foods and that's [called] *cuchifrito*. I enjoy sushi, but it's also symbolic of the world that I have strived to be successful in ... so "Sushi-Frito" was my take on wanting to blend the two worlds.

The parts from "Sexomedy": [One part of the show is] about masturbating and how I hold that very dear to my heart, and I feel like not enough women want to admit or actually be very honest and forthright about their sensuality. ... If you come at that material with a very clear sense of truth, it's not vulgar and it's something that people actually would like to hear.

On shifting from drama in "Luna Gale" to comedy in "Sushi-Frito": If it had been any other show, I probably would not have booked it at the same time. But the Goodman is just so well-structured and ... we've been very prepared well before our first preview, so I've been able to split the difference and focus a little bit more on this show while I'm working on "Luna Gale." And my role is pretty small; I'm only in two scenes.

On writing about being single when she is newly coupled:

"Sushi-Frito" is coming from a real place of truth in dating. ... It's so funny because I'm currently in a relationship and I didn't expect that to happen. I just wanted to explore my horrible dates and these crazy relationships I've already had ... but then this beautiful relationship is happening to me right now with another artist and it's affecting the way that I'm writing this story. So, I'm just letting that happen and maybe at the end of the story, I'm actually going to talk about what I think real connection is, and if I've found it and what that might be for me.

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Why single life is sometimes better:

I was in a relationship with an ex-underwear model from New York that I met at a comedy club. He was also Puerto Rican ... so that was one of our common grounds to get together ... but over time, he just became the most repulsive human being—like, I would come home and find him on the couch with his feet in his mouth, tearing off his toenails in his underwear with a 40 in his hand. [Laughs.] I compromised the ideals that I thought were important just for the sake of somebody that a) shared my culture and b) had a sense of humor. But those two things were not going to build a relationship.

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[Sings] Tonight's gonna be a good night! That one by the Black Eyed Peas ["I Gotta Feeling"]. I never, ever want to hear it again.

Best concert you've seen in the last year?
It was a songwriter's night at Cafe Mustache. I really like small, intimate shows. Ginormous shows don't excite me much.

New band you don't know personally that deserves to be big?
Swimsuit Addition—"They're super-talented girls and they have a really great energy onstage. They just kick [bleep]."

Favorite movie ever?
[Tie] "Poltergeist" and "Re-Animator"

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KSRA's impressive range just might make music for your life

By Andy Downing | FOR REDEYE

As a child, Rachel Thomas was fascinated with breaking things because she likes to, in her own words, “test boundaries.”

Recording and performing under the name KSRA, the 29-year-old Logan Square resident does the same with her genre-defying music, which incorporates elements of pop, electronica and hip-hop (rapper Talib Kweli even turns up to drop a few bars on the song “Bad Habit”).

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Where are you now?

I’ve been wandering around Santa Monica and Venice Beach for the past five hours.

How is your love?

Say that again? I heard, “How is my love?”

I wanted to see how many lines from your “Radio Waves” I could get through before you caught on.

[Laughs.] Oh my goodness! I should have caught on! I do that to people. I’ll go, “Tell me what you think about me. I buy my own diamonds and I buy my own rings. I worked hard and sacrificed to get what I get. Ladies, it’s not easy being independent, you know?” Most of the time people don’t get it. Dude, that’s pretty funny. I did not realize that’s what you were doing.

That song opens with a series of questions. Are you generally an inquisitive person?

To a fault, yeah. I’d ask questions and also just do physical investigation. My favorite thing was to see how far I could twist something until it broke. I really liked to test boundaries and see why something was fragile or what it meant to be fragile.

What’s the most expensive thing you broke?

My most vivid memory of something I broke was this colored-sugar Easter egg sculpture of bunnies, and I was like, “Wow, I have to break this apart piece by piece.” I did that with car windows, too. I would peel back the rubber to see what was underneath.

“Radio Waves” also touches on the way a song can take you back to a particular moment in time. Are you someone who has a running soundtrack tied to different life events?

Yes, I would say certain songs are absolutely associated with certain things in my life. “Sweet Dreams” by the Eurythmics is associated with my mother’s 1987 Volvo. Led Zepelin’s “Stairway to Heaven” is being in front of my cousin Robert and Ronnie’s house playing basketball. The first time I ever tried fake making out with someone when I was learning how to kiss, it was Mariah Carey. [Laughs.] Music has been a huge part of my life.

You really flash your range on “The Worrying Kind.” How did you first discover you could hit those high notes?

It first developed because of a desire I had because of Mariah Carey. I remember going to my sister and being like, “What is that?!” And I’ve just been pushing and pushing and pushing myself to get up there because I’ve always wanted to, and I think it’s beautiful.

You actually teach music in elementary schools, right?

I’m a songwriting instructor, and I team up with choreographers and drama teachers and we basically go into schools where arts programs have been cut and we teach supplemental programming. My main goal is to get [students] to connect to some form of music, and usually I’ll use something modern. In the school I’m in now, we started by studying Kanye [West], and I’ve got them stomping and clapping the kick and snare patterns. It’s letting them know they can create themselves, because music seems unattainable to a lot of kids.

Was there that one teacher who really motivated you to pursue a career in music?

No, there wasn’t. I didn’t have anybody. And I think that’s why I like teaching; I can do that for them. Growing up, I was in music classes and not a single person talked to me about what you can actually do with music, like, “Oh, you’re a writer? You can use that skill” or “You have a really good voice for demos.” I never had that, and I like giving that to kids now.

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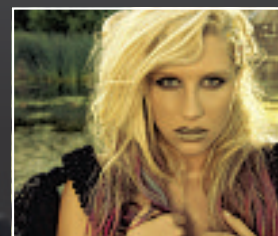
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19 Crematory shelf supplies
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23 Maple or willow
24 LL Cool J's music style
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34 _ as an ape
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37 One of seven deadly sins
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41 Worth & Knox
42 With _ breath; excitedly
43 Relevant in every era
45 Rejuvenates
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65 Give it a shot

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3 Sickly looking
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26 Go _; proceed
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29 Half-quarts
30 _ and crafts
31 Overact

- 32 Stitch again
33 Toboggans
35 Evergreens
38 Barn dances
39 Baby watchers
41 Respiratory bug, for short
42 Lima or fava
44 Diminishing
45 Oakland athlete
47 Cut up a roasted turkey

- 48 Discontinue
49 Molten rock
50 Plow animals
52 Has _; one no longer popular
53 Grow weary
54 Putin's refusal
55 Equipment
59 Parched

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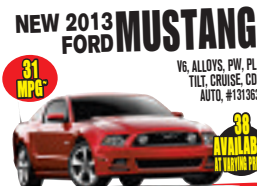
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11 FORD FOCUS SES LOW MILES, 1 OWNER, LOW MILES, CERTIFIED, #X2000 \$12,989; \$249 [†] PER MO. W/ \$500 DOWN	13 FORD FIESTA SE PW, PL, SUNROOF, FORD CERTIFIED, #2052 \$17,989; \$339 [†] PER MO. W/ \$500 DOWN	13 DODGE AVENGER LOW MILES, 1 OWNER, POWER WINDOWS, POWER LOCKS, #X2014 \$17,989; \$339 [†] PER MO. W/ \$500 DOWN	09 HYUNDAI GENESIS LOW MILES, ALL OPTIONS, EXTRA CLEAN, #2052 \$18,989; \$359 [†] PER MO. W/ \$500 DOWN	13 CHRYSLER 200 S LTD LTHR, SUNROOF, NAVI, 1 OWNER, LOW MILES, #78353A \$18,989; \$359 [†] PER MO. W/ \$500 DOWN

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14 FORD TAURUS LTD LEATHER, 1K, TOP OF THE LINE PRE-DRIVEN, #X2033 \$27,989; \$539 [†] PER MO. W/ \$500 DOWN	13 ACURA RDX 1 OWNER, LOW MILES, EXTRA CLEAN, #X3019 \$29,989; \$579 [†] PER MO. W/ \$500 DOWN	10 INFINITI FX35 1 OWNER, NAVI, LTHR, ALL OPTIONS, #5077A \$29,989; \$579 [†] PER MO. W/ \$500 DOWN	13 JEEP GR CHEROKEE 4X4 LTHR, SUNROOF, NAVI, 1 OWNER, #X2009 \$31,989; \$609 [†] PER MO. W/ \$500 DOWN	13 FORD EXPLORER LIMITED FORD CERT, LTHR, HTD SEATS, LOADED, #X2011A \$34,989; \$669 [†] PER MO. W/ \$500 DOWN

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Welcome to Zooey Deschanel's fairy-tale world

By Dana Moran | REDEYE

Being adorable on "New Girl" just wasn't enough for **Zooey Deschanel** anymore. **Deadline.com** reports that Fox has picked up her half-hour animated series, "Queen of Everything," for development. On the show, an evil queen comes into power, only to realize that ruling is tough when nobody likes you. It's also being billed as a workplace comedy. Huh.

While this show may be about a not-so-nice royal, we know Zooey can't help but inject a little of her twee charm. Here's what we imagine this royally animated palace might look like. DAMORAN@TRIBUNE.COM | @REDEYEDANA; GETTY IMAGES FILE PHOTO



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THE FINAL COUNTDOWN

Confused by the plot of "Divergent"? Apparently the movie's creators were expecting this. A final trailer out Tuesday features voiceover from star Shailene Woodley, explaining the division of factions in post-apocalyptic Chicago. Meanwhile, knives are thrown, the Navy Pier Ferris wheel is climbed and hot shirtless makeouts are ... made out. The movie opens April 4.

The office scoundrel

Hey, sitcom fans, here's a great reason to see "The Amazing Spider-Man 2": "The Office" alum B.J. Novak is playing a bad guy. **Thr.com** reports that Novak was added to the cast last year, but the identity of his role remained a mystery until Tuesday, when director Marc Webb (srslly) tweeted that Novak is picking up the part of Alistair Smythe. He's the son of the inventor of the Spider-Slayer robots, if you haven't spent enough time with the comics.

Identity crisis

Shirley Manson isn't feeling like herself today. The Garbage frontwoman recently took the "Which '90s Alt-Rock Grrrl Are You" quiz on BuzzFeed, to surprising results. "I took this quiz. I didn't get me. WTF?!" she posted to the band's Facebook page. Unfortunately Manson didn't take the time to reveal her alt-rock alter-ego, but we're gonna go with Not Courtney Love.

QUOTE

I'M STUDYING BOWIE AND IGGY AND LOU AND TINA. I'M WORKING; I'M DANCING AROUND IN HEELS FOR HOURS, AND WIGS, AND CHANGING MY POSTURE AND LOSING WEIGHT."

—Neil Patrick Harris, to Vulture, on his preparation process for "Hedwig and the Angry Inch." The Broadway revival began rehearsals this week.

THE DIGIT

3 The Netflix original series "House of Cards" was renewed for a third season Tuesday, the streaming service reports. Season 2 hits the Web on Feb. 14.



WHAT'S SO FUNNY, JAY?

Now that late night TV is nearly rid of Jay Leno, the Center for Media and Public Affairs rounded up a Top 10 list of Leno's most joked-about topics. They are:

1. BILL CLINTON — 4,607 JOKES

2. GEORGE W. BUSH — 3,239 JOKES

3. AL GORE — 1,026 JOKES

4. BARACK OBAMA — 1,011 JOKES

5. HILLARY CLINTON — 939 JOKES

6. O.J. SIMPSON — 795 JOKES

7. DICK CHENEY — 673 JOKES

8. MICHAEL JACKSON — 505 JOKES

9. MONICA LEWINSKY — 454 JOKES

10. BOB DOLE — 452 JOKES

HOT DATE DEC. 25

That's when "Hot Tub Time Machine 2" is set to hit theaters. Yes, folks, it'll be a merry Christmas indeed, squeezed between your folks while too full of turkey. Or HAM.



Neil Patrick Harris
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